REMARKS

The office action dated January 26, 2007 set out a detailed election/restriction requirement. Applicant elects to pursue the invention of species B (The hydrogen-oxygen recombination catalyst located in the oxygen distribution system or in the cathode chamber), the species for the surface on which recombination catalyst material is located, the species for flow field material, and the species of expanded metal mesh.

Claims 1 and 43 were stated as being generic. Claims 1-68 are also believed to read on the elected species, because none of claims 1-68 are seen as being mutually exclusive of the elected species, i.e., claims that are consistent with a species having a recombination catalyst material located on the surface of an expanded metal mesh flow field material located in the oxygen distribution system. If the Applicant has misunderstood the election/restriction, the Examiner's clarification is requested.

In the event there are additional charges in connection with the filing of this Response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account No. 50-0714/LYNN-0165 of the firm of the below-signed attorney in the amount of any necessary fee.

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